

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Professor Johnson exhibited a specimen of the so-called Natural Coke from Creek Co., Virginia, an article which is now used to some extent as a fuel in that region. He stated that it was his intention to make an analysis of this coal, the result of which he would communicate to the Academy.

Professor Johnson also exhibited a specimen of Sydney Coal, one of those Bituminous coals represented to be very liable to spontaneous combustion. The specimen had been in his cabinet for more than a twelvemonth, and was now in a state of decomposition and covered with efflorescence.

 STATED MEETING, NOVEMBER 22, 1842.

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the Chair.

DONATIONS TO MUSEUM.

The following specimens of Minerals from Nova Scotia were presented by Mr. Wm. S. Vaux.

Red Heulandite with Stilbite,	}	King's Co., Nova Scotia.
Stilbite,		
Chabasie with Heulandite,	}	Two Islands, do.
Nacreous Heulandite,		
Analcime, from Blomidon, Nova Scotia.		

Also a specimen of Sulphate of Barytes from Cheshire, Connecticut. From the same.

A specimen of Galena from the vicinity of Paradise, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and several specimens of a mineral substance supposed to be Tierra di Sienna, also from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. From Mr. P. A. Browne.

DONATIONS TO LIBRARY.

Lumley's Bibliographical Register. No. 12. New Series.
From the Editors.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was read from the American Philosophical Society, dated November 14, 1842, acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 17, 18, and 19 of the Proceedings of the Academy.

A communication was also read from Peter A. Browne, Esq., in reference to the specimens of *Tierra di Sienna* presented by him this evening, and enclosing a letter from Hugh Maxwell, Esq., of Lancaster city, which contained some information respecting the locality, and the quality of the different specimens, and stated that it was considered by artists, and other competent judges who had examined it, as equal to the article imported under the name.

The whole subject was referred to the following Committee, viz.: Prof. Johnson, Mr. Haldeman, and Mr. Peale.

The Chairman read a letter from Dr. Edmund Ravenel, dated Charleston, S. C., October 25, 1842, accompanying specimens of the fossil *Scutella Lyellii* sent by him.